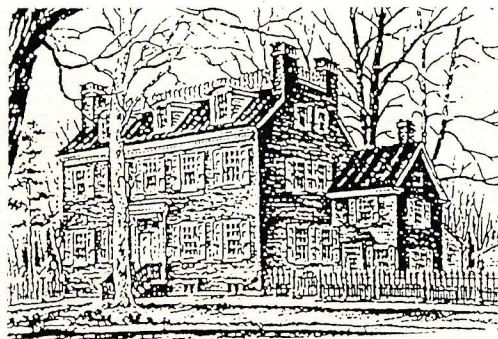


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QUAKERS AND THEIR PEACE TESTIMONY: GLOUCESTER COUNTY, WEST JERSEY, 1775-1777

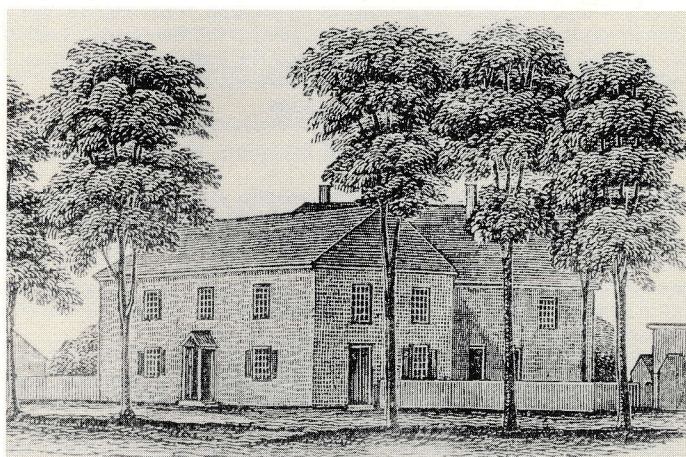
**Presentation by Jo Ann Kaitz at our November 14th meeting
7:30 PM in Greenfield Hall**

It's a debate that has gone on for hundreds of years and is still going on: will military action resolve conflicts or shall we utilize only peaceful means to defend our freedoms?

During the American Revolution, on a January day in 1777, Thomas Redman and Mark Miller, prominent members of the Quaker community in West Jersey, were arrested for reading an epistle issued by the Society of Friends' Philadelphia Meeting for Sufferings to their fellow Quakers. Redman and Miller, residents of Gloucester County, were well respected, conscientious citizens. However, revolutionaries, who were actively participating in New Jersey's infant Provincial government, had arrested them. Interestingly, the man most responsible for their arrest, John Cooper, was another Friend, a well-known member of one of Gloucester County's more stalwart Quaker families. Cooper served as a County delegate to the new Assembly and was a member of the Governor's Privy Council.

The Religious Society of Friends and the revolutionaries would clash often in West Jersey. This was particularly true once New Jersey's Provincial government declared its independence and began preparations for war with Great Britain. Throughout the ensuing "commotion," dedicated Friends remained resolute, determined to uphold their Peace Testimony. The Provincial Congress, equally unyielding, required oaths of allegiance from all who wished to be associated with the new regime, implemented forced

participation in the local militia, and imposed fines or jail terms on those who declined to cooperate.



The Second Friend's Meeting-house on Haddon Avenue
was commandeered as a hospital during the Revolution

OUR SPEAKER

Jo Ann Kaitz is a Professor of History at Camden County College. A Rutgers American History graduate, Ms. Kaitz did her Master's thesis on the subject of the Peace Testimony of the Society of Friends. Much of her research was done in our library with the help of Kathy Tassini and Betty Lyons.

Be sure to join us on Wednesday evening, November 14, to hear how the Quakers adopted a neutral stance throughout the American War for Independence, remaining firm and refusing to collaborate with the rebellious government. Light refreshments will be served after Jo Ann's talk.

DRAWING STRENGTH FROM HISTORY

I knew when I was asked to write this letter that there was only one subject I could write about, the one subject that has held my attention since September 11. And I also knew that the Historical Society is not a political organization, but one devoted to the study and enjoyment of history. Whenever I write these letters it is from my heart, and so I have to express my thoughts on the cowardly attacks on America.

I have written before about the joy that the study of history can bring, how it can entertain children and adults alike. This time I want to write about the strength that an understanding of history can bring in times of trouble.

As with any American, this is a personal matter to me. My daughter lives in New York City and attends school at Pace University, just a short distance from the World Trade Center area. She has lived on Nassau Street just blocks away and had worked in one of the Trade Center buildings not that long ago. Shortly after September 11, I went up to visit her and saw what had happened there, with her beside me. That is an image I cannot put out of my mind, my own daughter being so close to this scene of mass murder. Also, on September 11, my son was scheduled to fly home from across the country, and could just as easily have been on a plane hijacked by these murderers. Instead, he was stranded away from home. Thinking of these things, and of the other fathers who were not as lucky as I, I have experienced anger, revulsion and sadness often since that date.

Having a sense of our country's history has been a source of support and perspective through this. I have heard it said in the press that this is a new type of war for us. But then, America is a country that has been through many trying experiences. We were born in a war that took place on our own land. The War of 1812 saw our newly built capital burned to the ground. World War II saw our country enter into a war that had set the entire world ablaze with death and suffering. The Cold War had us engaged in a new form of ideological warfare spanning decades.

Perhaps no conflict could compare, though, to our own Civil War. Imagine a conflict where every battle was on our soil, every shot fired involved our own people, and every soldier killed was an American. It was a time when the concept of democracy was still viewed with some skepticism around the world. At the nadir of the effort to hold the Union together there were more than enough voices raised against the war, ready to yield principle in exchange for peace. Yet the American people prevailed, proving that democracy was an enduring form of government.

What history tells me from these events is that this is a country that has been tested in fire and grown from these tests. It is a country that prevails in difficult times. In times of peace it goes about its own business, but in times of war rises to the challenges, whatever and wherever they may be.

I see also the examples of those who misuse history or who fail to learn from it. Bin Laden and his thugs look at history too. They hide out in caves in a small country that has successfully resisted foreign invasion. They attack us, a free country, and try to use our own freedoms against us. Perhaps they see Vietnam as the model to divide us. They view our very diversity - in beliefs, in religions, in backgrounds - as a means to divide and defeat us. They look at the failure of the Soviet Union in its invasion of Afghanistan, take credit for the Soviet Union's dissolution, and dream that they can do the same to the US and our friends. Like those other megalomaniacs of their type - Hitler and Mussolini - they see themselves as leading a new world order. In their case, they espouse a perversion of Islam, drawn together under their own brand of fascism.

But history holds a different lesson. Afghanistan has been successfully invaded - by Bin Laden and his cadre. They are foreigners there, using innocent Afghans as shields to hide from justice. The US has no interest in invading or controlling that country, and seeks only to root out those who attacked this country without provocation. This has little to do with Afghanistan - a country that is not noted for attacking countries remote from itself. It has everything to do with responding to unprovoked aggression. And Bin Laden, like the arrogant tyrants before him, simply cannot understand how democracies and free societies work. To them, their own

personal brand of tyranny is the answer. But history shows that when a democracy like the US is attacked, it is stronger and more resilient than a centralized tyranny that is dominated by a murderer and guided by irrational fanaticism.

Americans also do not need things to be quick and easy, and they know how to deal with fear. We can accept that there may be more bitter times before this is over. We have done that before. But history points to the triumph of the free, American spirit, with an even stronger country emerging at the end of this challenge.

I believe that this is a strong nation, and I believe strength is the one characteristic that is universally understood on the global stage. Giving in to the Hitlers and Bin Ladens, yielding up one's friends and one's principles to attempt to appease them, only invites more attacks. Standing firm is painful in the near term, but is the price that must be paid for peace in the long term.

History gives me great pleasure in quiet times, when I can learn from the experiences of those who came before us. In times of threat and conflict, history can shine a light on the path we must follow. Just as those who came before us dealt with harsh times in ways that made our lives today possible, we can be guided by that history to meet the challenges we face today.

LIBRARY NEWS

by Kathy Tassini

The library resumed its regular hours in September and has welcomed a steady stream of researchers and volunteers over the last few weeks. We have welcomed Rowan University history major Keith McCoy as a volunteer for the fall semester. Keith is organizing and inventorying the archives of Haddon Grange # 38, donated over the summer by Bill Garwood and the members of the Grange. We have wanted to offer housing for the archives of the various Haddonfield organizations for many years. Over the past five years we have accepted the records of the Needlework Guild when they ceased operations as well as some miscellaneous Home School Association Records from different Haddonfield Schools. We are currently working out an agreement with the Haddonfield Preservation Society to house the Joan Lambert Aiken Archives and have also been approached about accepting archives relating to another local organization.

Over the years at least some of the records of many organizations have been lost because the organizations had no place to house them. Rather than have any more of them lost, the Society is trying to make space for these important materials whenever we are asked. As some of you may know, the Mickle House is totally devoted to library functions at this time, although the space is beginning to get tight once again. It is hard to believe that the collections have had such enormous growth over the last fifteen years when everything was housed in the two little rooms in the oldest part of Greenfield Hall. It is because of the continuing interest and commitment of local residents to the accumulation and preservation of our collective memory that we have such a pleasant dilemma to solve.

Our thanks go to the following for their recent donations to the Historical Society Library:

- Survey of the Haddonfield Friends Cemetery from **Mary Pharo and Haddonfield Friends Meeting**
- Engle-Stratton Ancestral Lines by Retha Engle Batten, Walter Zane Collings Genealogy by W. Zane Collings, and Family Line of Edward Hitchner and Rebecca Cole Bitters by Roberta Hitchner Erickson from **Charlesanna Fallstick and the Gloucester County Historical Society Library.**
- Old Churches and Meeting Houses In and Around Philadelphia by John T. Faris, Anthony Nelson of Haddonfield by Elmer Van Name, Cape May Co. Magazine of History and Genealogy, June 1968, and PA Genealogical Magazine, 1969 all from **Mark Heston.**
- Institute of Radio Engineers, May 1936. Article on FM Radio by Edwin H. Armstrong (includes references to early FM radio transmissions to Haddonfield) from **Doug Rauschenberger and Haddonfield Public Library.**
- Four scrapbooks on Haddonfield, miscellaneous ledgers, wills, deeds, receipts, etc. relating to the Van Dyke and Rogers families (1830-1960) from **Marie Downing.**

MEET THE TRUSTEES

Our new Trustees, who will be serving until the middle of 2004, bring many talents with them. Here they are:

Deborah Mervine – Debbe needs no introduction. She has been an active member for many years, serving in a variety of capacities, including as our President from 1994-96, as a Trustee, the fund-raising chairman, and presently as the rentals chairman.

Debbe says she grew up with antiques. She has always had a great love for architecture and design, everything about building techniques and housing. We are fortunate to have her expertise on the Board.

John Tarditi – Everyone in town knows him as “Jack” -- and he seems to know everybody in town. He served Haddonfield as its Mayor for many years and now is one of the town’s three Commissioners. Within our Society, he has chaired the nominations committee and last year saw, through extensive ticket sales, that the *Dinner in the Grand Style* was a financial success.

This is Jack’s second term as a Trustee, bringing his positive force to the Society.

Shirley Raynor – Shirley is no stranger to Greenfield Hall. For several years she has been the director of our doll collection and, as a result, the dolls are enjoying a central place in Greenfield Hall. Shirley has her Modern Doll Artist Certificate from Seeley, which has given her a background in doll making, training and preservation. Her recent exhibit during Doll Days has been a testament to her dedication.

We are happy that Shirley has been willing to share her time and efforts with our collections after spending many years as a computer scientist and statistician.

Carol Smith – Carol has worked professionally in the museum and archival fields, at one time taking care of the historical collections and archives of the two oldest insurance companies in the country. (You’ll see some of their fire marks on buildings around town - the four clasped hands and the tree respectively.) She is currently acting as a consultant to help small to mid-size organizations best preserve and utilize their history. One of her recent interesting and fun experiences involved coordinating the 300th anniversary celebration at Bartram’s Garden.

Carol sees her role for the Society as being a source

for information and resources and doing some work in helping to apply for grant funding as well. We’re glad to have her working with us.

OUR CONGRATULATIONS

...to Trustee Joe Haro on his receiving the History Award at the Markheim Art Center’s Fourth Annual Applause Awards Dinner. Joe has long been an active participant in our Society and is well known for the series of architectural tours of Haddonfield that he developed. He is a popular speaker on the subject of history and architecture and is famous also for his role as the handsome butler at our *Grand Style* dinners.

GIFTS TO THE SOCIETY

With the year 2001 coming to a close, it’s a good time to think about the beneficial effects of charitable gifts to the Historical Society of Haddonfield. Gifts such as these help both the donor and the recipient. Maintaining Greenfield Hall and its museum aspects, managing the library and providing for community outreach all require funds. Your contributions help the Society to continue and to grow. Since the Society is a charitable organization, your gifts are deductible for income tax purposes as allowed by law.

Another way to benefit the Society is through a bequest as part of one’s Last Will and Testament or Living Trust. Bequests in the past from Helen Streeter and John and Alice Wood, among others, have allowed the Society to meet current obligations and to plan more wisely for the future. These charitable testamentary gifts are free of federal estate tax, a substantial tax benefit.

Please consult your tax advisor or attorney for further information on how you can benefit while helping the Historical Society. The Executive Board is always appreciative of the generous support exhibited by the members in the operation of the Society and its programs. We’ll be happy to work with you in establishing a meaningful contribution.

HELP

We need more **DOCENTS**.

Call 856-429-7375

to make arrangements.

CELEBRATING THE HOLIDAYS IN HADDONFIELD DURING THE GAY NINETIES

by Betty Lyons

THANKSGIVING

In colonial times large flocks of turkeys roamed the area around Haddonfield. Weighing ten to thirty pounds and from two to three feet tall, the turkeys had round chests, long necks, broad wings and stood on long, slim legs. The plumage of these unusual birds contained a variety of colors; they are depicted in a few works of art from our early days.

After the American Revolution, Congress voted on an emblem to stand for our country. Many people, including Ben Franklin, felt that the turkey should be chosen. Instead, the bald eagle won out.

Turkeys were the staples of the colonial diet. Since cranberries were plentiful in New Jersey, they were served along with the turkey, especially in the fall. Housewives made pies using locally grown pumpkins and their homemade mincemeat. Indian corn was utilized for corn bread, rounding out a typical American feast, a feast especially celebrated later on Thanksgiving Day.

Because of population growth, wild turkeys began to disappear from the area. Today, turkeys are bred in captivity and released in the forests to enlarge the few existing wild turkey herds in our state.

By 1893, Haddonfielders were able to go to local stores and buy all their Thanksgiving supplies. H.A. and G.H. Clement advertised in the *Haddonfield News* that they had

15,000 canned goods in stock. Fine Jersey turkeys were available along with black, green and Japan tea and mocha, Java and Laguayra coffee. Brick's mincemeat was on sale to be used in holiday pies and, should anyone not like turkey for the main course, there was plenty of plump mackerel in the store.

Rival merchant, B.F. Fowler, also advertised stocks of fancy and staple groceries, both domestic and imported. Two bakeries in town allowed housewives to buy a large variety of baked goods and desserts. Martin Schlecht at Main Street opposite the turnpike (King's Highway and Haddon Avenue) advertised breads, cakes, pies and confectionery. His ice creams included pineapple, strawberry, chocolate and vanilla flavors.

Mrs. J.J. Schlecht operated her bakery at the corner of Main Street and Atlantic Avenue. There she baked breads, pies, fancy cakes and sold ice cream and confectionery. The Schlecht bakeries, although at different locations, were favorites of residents into the late 1930's. Old-timers still remember the pleasant aromas they encountered upon entering these stores.

It was only after 1850 that states began to pass laws making Thanksgiving a holiday. In 1893 it was still a relatively new holiday and the men of the Haddon Fire Company were invited to march in a parade at Cramer Hill since our town had no parade.

That year the *Haddonfield News* offered a book prize for the best original Thanksgiving story. The winner was John Haddon Hopkins who wrote a story about Nellie Bayard. According to his touching story, Nellie was fond of hearts and rounds, delicious cakes made in those forms. Having practiced the piano one morning, she was about to reward herself with one of her favorite cakes when she spied "Crazy Dick" stealing one of her family's turkeys. She rushed out and followed him home. There his mother met him and asked where he had gotten the turkey. Nellie stood up and claimed it was hers. Dick's horrified mother returned it immediately, but not before Nellie realized that "Crazy Dick" had only wanted to have something to celebrate Thanksgiving with his family. The more she thought about it, the more she wanted to share the spirit of the season. She took a hard earned \$5 and bought provisions for his



General store built in 1886 by Clement and Giffen on the west side of the present King's Court. In 1892, the name of the store was changed to H.A. and G.H. Clement when the brothers took over the business.

family, learning at the same time that it's better to share than to keep everything for herself.

Even though Thanksgiving was a time of quiet celebration, ordinary life went on in the Victorian town and was reported in the papers. West Haddonfield streets were in the process of being macadamized, as the town grew more populous and the mud streets caused untold problems. A new steam laundry opened in the boathouse at the Point to serve the people. Burglars were active on Summit and Atlantic Avenues, and a patron of the Haddon House left in the middle of the night with four overcoats which had been carefully hung in the hallway before their owners retired to bed.

The Philognoses Society, at its pre-Thanksgiving meeting, resolved in a debate, that "football is injurious to college students." Although there were no colleges in town, there were many football enthusiasts who were disappointed because the Haddonfield team could not arrange a date with the Camden Athletic Association, so no game was played.

We've come a long way, haven't we!?



CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

Christmas has always been a special time of the year in Haddonfield. Family and friends for many years past celebrated this holiday in a variety of ways, including decorating homes and trees, attending church services, caroling and exchanging gifts. Let us re-create an experience possible only in the 1890's in Haddonfield.

Sleighs were the only means of local transportation when the snow fell. People used them to travel from one house or shop to another. Doctors, commuters who took the train to Camden or Philadelphia, clergymen who called upon their parishioners, shopkeepers who delivered their goods, and others found horses and sleighs a necessity. In addition, there were those who looked forward to the pure pleasure of having sleigh rides.

Heavy winter coats, galoshes, mufflers, hats and gloves, along with large buffalo robes to cover their legs, kept sleighing participants warm. Additional robes were placed on the seats and heated bricks wrapped in newspapers kept the revelers' feet warm.

Even the horses wore robes along with their sleigh bells which rang merrily as they trotted along. Actually, the bells, although entertaining, were a safety precaution because sleighs on packed snow were virtually silent. The bells were attached to leather straps and, as Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wrote, "they beat as swift and merrily as the hearts of children."

For those without their own sleighs, boat sleighs could be rented at the livery stables on King's Highway. As many as



thirty people could hire one which would use four or six horses. Churches, in particular, often took advantage of these sleighs for outings.

Starting from West Haddonfield and trotting down Main Street, the horse drew the sleigh past the wood house at the head of Chews Landing Road. On the right was Doctors' Row, so-called because of the number of physicians who lived next to each other. In the vicinity of what is now Tanner Street was Charles H. Moss, a boot and shoemaker who specialized in repairing items promptly and having them neatly done.

Beside the bank, which is still located in its original spot, there was the store of Isaac L. Ellis and Son, dealers in beef, pork, mutton and veal.

In the now torn-down New Jersey Building were a number of merchants. J. Sterling dealt in beef, veal, lamb and mutton also. J. Pettibone and Son sold stoves, heaters and

ranges and handled plumbing, gas and steam fitting. At the rear of the building, Benjamin P. Shreeve operated stables with coaches which met all the railroad trains from 7 AM to 7 PM. Horses and carriages could be hired.

In this area, the aroma coming from the Martin Schlecht Bakery was always inviting, but particularly so during the Christmas season. It was hard to resist the smell of freshly baked breads, cookies, luscious pies and cakes. Many types of Christmas candies were sold here along with flavors of ice cream.

Braddock's Pharmaceutical Shop was located at 210 Main Street. In addition to the many medicines and chemical preparations, toilet articles, cosmetics and perfumes were available for Christmas. H.A. and C.H. Clement had canned goods, bottled goods, teas and coffees, sugar, cheese, butter, flour, soap, vegetables and miscellaneous gifts for the holiday



Haddon House Restaurant and Hotel

season. On the corner of Main and Potter Streets, transient or permanent boarders were accommodated in pleasant surroundings in the hostelry, the Haddon House, under the direction of proprietor, George Stillwell.

St. Nicholas, Kris Kringle or Santa Claus also used a

sleigh to glide over the snow or mud to fill stockings with sweetmeats and toys. The people of the village celebrated Christmas in various church celebrations. The Episcopal Church had a children's celebration on Saturday evening where presents were distributed from a huge tree. The Baptist Church celebration took place on Tuesday evening with recitations and songs. On Thursday night the Presbyterians sang and gave spoken parts of a recitation, "A Jolly Christmas" or "The Neglected Program." The churches also sent packages to needy families in Haddonfield and the vicinity.

Our Victorian ancestors decorated traditional Christmas trees. Some put candles on them, lit the candles and sang songs while the candles glowed. However, because the trees were often near drafty windows with long curtains which whipped into the flame, or because the trees were dry from being indoors, some deadly fires resulted. Other families decorated their trees with gingerbread cookies, folk art, popcorn and garlands made of cranberries. Most decorations were created by the families rather than purchased in those hard times. Nevertheless, most Victorians put some small presents on the tree to be opened on Christmas morning.

During the holidays, the people enjoyed plum pudding, Christmas cookies, wassail and the burning Yule log. Frequently families would read such stories as "The Christmas Carol" before the fire. Houses were decorated with mistletoe, holly and wreaths.

Our ancestors passed on many traditions for the Christmas season and today, in Haddonfield, old practices are being continued while new ones are beginning. Some of the customs and ceremonies we enjoy today will undoubtedly disappear over the next fifty to one hundred years and others will take their place. May the joys of our holiday seasons always fill our hearts with appreciation and happiness.



RETURNING FROM JAPAN

It was five and a half years ago that we said goodbye to Mike McMullen and his family. At that time, Mike, the Society's Treasurer during the previous two years, went to Japan to act as the CFO of Hewlett-Packard's operations there. Now, at the end of December this year, he and his family will be returning home. We're looking forward to seeing them once again!

FROM THE CELLARS

by Don Wallace

September 11, 2001 was a bad ending to a good summer. During the summer, however, we made several breakthroughs in developments here in Greenfield Hall, even though all the volunteers in the museum cellars of Greenfield Hall had events and commitments that kept us otherwise occupied.

With all the many improvements in recent years (\$10,000+), some visible, others invisible, we can finally call the cellars "fairly dry." Now we have two dehumidifiers operating when the heater is off and the only dampness we occasionally see is evident in the dark red brick floor following prolonged heavy rains.

The exhaust fan, operating only when the relative humidity outside is in the 50% range, pulls out the mustiness that builds up (even from the first floor); however, we can hardly claim a "controlled environment." At least the water is no longer running in as it was before the repair of the upper and lower terraces and the digging out of the back well to accept drain water.

Gutters and downspouts are now cleaned of leaves annually after November 15. By then, the leaves are off the black ash in the back and the sycamore out front.

We are offering a 12-foot church pew for a handsome donation. It had come to serve only to prevent visitors from brushing too close to that display of household hardware assembled and mounted on the north wall by William Reifsteck II in 1973. We have replaced the pew with more shelves for



Here's Don wearing one of his many hats

domestic tools. The pile of kitchen artifacts with the sign, "Bless this Mess," has begun to shrink with this additional display space.

How do we make these breakthroughs? You would be amazed at the work that is done at home by our "Boxwood Brigade" volunteers. It's a good deal more than a month of Monday mornings, yet there is so much more to be done.

We will continue to do what we've been doing before September 11, but it can't be done any better. New volunteers can just show up on any Monday morning at 9:00 AM. You will be welcomed and assigned a project that suits you. Come out and join in the fun.

NOW ACCEPTING DONATION BIDS

FOR 12-FOOT CHURCH PEW

from Historical Society members and members of the Lutheran Church of Haddonfield or anyone else.

Separated into two (2) six-foot sections
for transporting and reassembly.

Two wooden ends could be copied to make
into two six-foot pews at your expense,
if you can find a good wood worker.

Also included are:

Three (3) stand-alone upholstered kneeling benches.

Two of them fit under each side of full pew;

one is shorter, 53"—

great for little kid group gatherings.

Only one transaction;

no splitting of items will be considered.

To bid, please call 429-7375

and leave your bid on message machine.

To see pew, now disassembled in garage,

visit Greenfield Hall

during our open hours 1 - 4, Wed. - Fri.



Holly Festival

Saturday, December 15

10 A.M. to 3 P.M.



It won't be long before we'll be enjoying the **Holly Festival**. Think of it...

our famous basket arrangements...

fresh, loose greens in many varieties such as holly, boxwood and laurel...

the pantry filled with cakes, cookies, pies, breads, jams and much more...

craftsmen selling their special wares...

our boutique table ready with one-in-a-kind items...

the Museum Shop with its unique gifts **plus** vintage textiles and vintage baby clothing...

Luminaria orders ready to be picked up and extra Luminaria for sale.

What a perfect time to stock up on all those special holiday gift items!



To be a success, we need everyone's help. The **Festival** is one of our biggest fund-raisers and we depend upon the support of the entire membership to make it an affair to be remembered. Besides, you'll have fun while making a contribution to the Society.

WHAT DO WE NEED? WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP? Here are a few suggestions:

✿ We need **GREENS** - greens for baskets and arrangements, varieties of greens to be sold loose. The more varieties we have, the more interesting our creations will be. Please check your neighbors' gardens as well. Our experienced arborist will come and cut for you if you wish.

Greens can be left on the rear patio of Greenfield Hall beginning Monday, December 10. Call Tom Burrough at 429-8361 or the office at 429-7375.

✿ **CRAFT ITEMS** - items which can be sold at our boutique table. Many of our members are very talented and create lovely and unique holiday ornaments and gifts. Please donate some of yours.

You are also invited to donate new or nearly new Christmas related items, collectibles of all kinds, such as jewelry, linens, china, glassware, etc. Don't forget those gifts you never used. In addition, we accept assignments. Call Sophie Dubiel at 428-0015, Nancy Burrough at 429-8361 or Greenfield Hall at 429-7375.

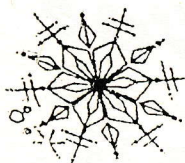
✿ **BAKED GOODS** - your choice to help stock our pantry. This is one of the first places where people come and the more we have, the more we'll be able to sell. Help make sure that we don't run out of goodies so early in the day. Offer your contributions by calling Karen Weaver, 428-3396, or Caryl Wallace, 854-4778.

✿ **HELPING HANDS** - to make greens arrangements. Don't worry if you have no experience -- you'll learn while you're doing with our trusted veterans leading the way. We'll meet in Greenfield Hall starting December 10, the week preceding the **Festival**. To volunteer some of your time, call the office at 856-429-7375 or just come out on any of those mornings from 9 until ??

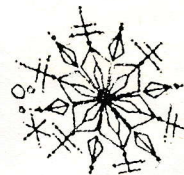
Helping hands are also needed on Festival day to help sell all our wonderful works.

✿ **MARK THE DATE, DECEMBER 15**, on your calendar. Greenfield Hall is the place.

✿ **INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES** to come out to enjoy the **Holly Festival**. It's a wonderful time to get into the holiday spirit and to introduce your friends to our Society.



Christmas Eve Luminaria



LET'S LIGHT UP THE TOWN ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Join in the festivities of the season by ordering your Luminaria from the Society

Preordered Luminaria will be ready for pick-up at Greenfield Hall the day of the **Holly Festival**, December 15, from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., and on the following Wednesday, December 19, from 7 to 8:30 P.M.

We've been offering Luminaria for the past 6 years and have kept the same low prices each year:

\$5.00 for a house with 50 feet of front footage and \$7.50 for 75 feet.

Multiples may be purchased to accommodate larger properties.

Long-burning (15-hour) candles, white paper bags and simple instructions are included with each order.

The plan is to fill the bottom of each bag with sand or kitty litter and then place the bags every five feet along the sidewalk or edge of the property. Lighting of the candles at 5:00 P.M. will be a community-wide event. In case inclement weather forces us to postpone the lighting, the Haddon Fire Company #1 has promised to sound a long blast on the fire horn at 5 o'clock to signal the postponement. If Christmas Eve lighting is impossible, the postponement dates are as follows: Christmas night, New Year's Eve, and New Year's Day.

Please place your order as soon as possible using the order form on the following page.

Appoint yourself "block captain" and encourage your friends and neighbors to order their Luminaria through the Society – or order some as gifts for your neighborhood. It's your chance to help **light up the town!**

HAUNTED HADDONFIELD

October held much more than bright blue weather, falling leaves and our wonderful Haunted House. This year saw the first of a series of walking tours of old "Haunted Haddonfield." Organized by Bill Meehan from records of ghost stories and legends, which he researched in our library with the help of Kathy Tassini and Betty Lyons, the tours were a huge success.

Participants met Bill at the Public Library, walked from there up to the Highway, then down as far as the Bancroft School, returning to the Library on the other side of the Highway. During the hour and a half walk, at specific spots along the way, Bill told the stories of haunted Haddonfield, many of which dated back 200 years. What a fun experience, hearing some of those old stories and superstitions! Bill brought the era alive with his descriptions of circumstances at those times.

Proceeds from the tours were shared by the Public Library and our Society. We are grateful to Bill for presenting us with such a happy October present.

GIFT LIST SUGGESTIONS

With the holiday season fast approaching, you can make your gift-selecting easier by purchasing Society commemoratives for sale in our own Museum Shop. Most items have Haddonfield themes -- all are discounted 10% for our members. Check out the linen towels, great hostess gifts. The Greenfield notepaper is always appreciated and the new stoneware is most attractive. You'll find much more when you visit the shop, and all items will make beautiful gifts.

Don't forget the wealth of information you can give (or keep for yourself) when you buy one of the Society's publications. Learn about the history of the town in *This Is Haddonfield*, about the Gill family in *Elizabeth French Gill: First Mistress of Greenfield Hall*, about a famous paleontologist who lived in town in *Remembering the Cope-Pharo House*. For the definitive book on how the town once looked, there's *Lost Haddonfield*, now in its second printing. Filled with old photographs and accompanying text, you'll read it and then use it for reference over the years.

And it's all here in Greenfield Hall!

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

We are happy to welcome new members:

NANCY MALONE & ARTHUR NG, CAROL & PHIL FUOCO, DAVID B. COGGINS and KAREN GOLDEN

We hope to see you in Greenfield Hall, enjoying our end-of-the-year activities!

Please use this application form as an invitation for your friends and neighbors to join us in the activities of the Historical Society.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF HADDONFIELD 2001-2002

I (We) would like to join the Historical Society of Haddonfield. The type of membership desired is:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Gill Society (per person) | 200.00 |
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Please pick up your order at the Society's headquarters, Greenfield Hall, on Saturday, December 15,
between 10 AM and 3 PM or on the following Wednesday, December 19, from 7 to 8:30 PM.

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to learn more about the opportunity to fill this important position

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